Minutes of the Westmoreland Selectmen's Meeting Thursday, December 5, 2019

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Russ Austin, Frank Reeder, Clayton Stalker

- 1. The meeting was called to order at 6:00PM by Chairman Russ Austin.
- Approval of Minutes: November 21, 2019, November 25, 2019 and December 4, 2019. Motion was made by Russ Austin, second by Clayton Stalker to accept the minutes as printed. Motion passed 3-0.
- 3. Guests: None
- 4. Accounts Payable: A motion was made by Clayton Stalker, second by Frank Reeder to approve a manifest of \$8,906.69 for the highway department and \$1,131,380.94 for all other bills for a total of \$1,140,287.63. Motion passed 3-0.
- 5. Old Business:
 - A. The next meeting of the Fire Station team will meet December 12th at 4:30pm.
 - B. Broadband: John Snowdon, Chairman of the Broadband Advisory Committee, Treasurer Theresa Russell and Town Administrator Jo Ann LaBarre had a conference call with the Bond attorney earlier in the day. The process and requirements for obtaining a bond were discussed. A public meeting will be held Monday, December 9th at 6:30pm to discuss the Public Benefit Findings of an agreement with Consolidated Communications, Inc.
 - C. Selectmen signed a Letter of Intent for a future of town hall space for the Post Office. The current lease expires 8/31/2021.
- 6. New Business:

Signature Approval was given for the following: Payroll: 11/30/2019, 12/5/2019 EFTPS: Payroll taxes 11/29/2019, 12/5/2019, 12/6/2019 Amazon & Walmart (supplies): 12/5/2019 Intuit: Quickbooks subscriptions 11/29/2019 Go-Daddy: Domain (1 mth) 12/2/2019 Invoice Cloud: ACH rejection fee 12/3/2019 Intent to Cut Timber: R8- 5 & 7

The Selectmen discussed distribution of the Starkey/Cobb Christmas Fund. The fund was established in 1935 by William Starkey and is designated for the aged & needy at Christmastime at the discretion of the Selectmen. Funds were added by Ellen Cobb in 1987 and an anonymous donation was made in 2011. Interest added the previous year from the fund is used each year to distribute.

7. Correspondence: All correspondence is available for review in the Selectmen's office. A thank-you letter was received from Southwest Community Services for the 2019 appropriation given to them by the town.

- 8. Selectmen worked on the 2020 Budget
- 9. The meeting was adjourned at 7:25pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Jo Ann LaBarre Town Administrator

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Russ Austin, Chairman

Frank Reeder

Clayton R. Stalker

NEXT MEETING –Thursday, December 19, 2019, 6:00PM MINUTES ARE INITIALLY POSTED AS UNAPPROVED -SIGNATURES BY SELECTMEN DENOTE APPROVAL OF MINUTES